

6 December 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Support Services Historical Board

SUBJECT : Progress Report - Support Services Histories

REFERENCE : Your memorandum, dated 28 October 1968, subject as above

1. As requested, following is a report of progress in the OMS Historical Program as of 30 November 1968. The current status and estimated completion dates for the several papers that make up this history are as follows:

	<u>Title</u>	<u>Estimated % Completed</u>	<u>Estimated Completion Date</u>
a.	Transition, 1945-47	40%	30 Jun 1969
b.	Clinical Program	0	1 Jan 1970
c.	Psychiatric Program	50%	30 Jun 1969
d.	Operations Division	0	30 Jun 1971
e.	Psychological Services Program	60%	1 Jan 1970
f.	Field Support Program	5%	1 Jan 1970
g.	Support Program	0	30 Jun 1969
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2. As indicated in our last progress report, we are collecting data on the pre-1952 period of OMS history. This for us is no small task because of the scarcity of current personnel who were with the OMS in that early period. Our thought was -- and is -- that with the passage of time data on this early period will become progressively more vague, remote and less available for recapture. Better then that whatever data is available be put down in writing now, even though it may not be possible at the moment to render such data into formal history. The results of this collection effort are encouraging and will be used initially in the Transition paper mentioned in paragraph 1 above.

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3. We feel obliged to invite attention again to the fact that the OMS, unlike most other components, has no annuitants who might be retained to write our history. Whatever is done must be done by officials who are fully engaged in their current duties. We shall however continue our historical program efforts and are pleased that we can report the progress reflected above.

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